IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

CRIMINAL APPLICATION No.2727 of 2007.

Chandrakant Dhondiba Tikene Applicant.

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra ..Respondent.

Ms Anjali Patil, Advocate for the applicant.

Ms M. H. Mhatre, A.P.P for the State.

CORAM: V.C. DAGA,J.
DATED: 5th September,2007.

P.C.:-

1. Heard learned counsel for the applicant and learned APP for the State.

2. Perused application and the material available on record.

3. The applicant is seeking bail in C.R. No.63 of 2005 registered with Vikroli Police Station, E.O.W. C.B. C.I.D. vide C.R.No. 26 of 2005 for the offence punishable under Sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471. 120-B of the I.P.C.

4. According to the learned counsel for the applicant-accused, the accused is in jail since 18.12.2006. The other co-accused Vinod Ramsingh Rawat and Shahaji Vasant Patil are released on bail by the Court of Sessions who

are the main accused on 2.3.2007 and 9.4.2007 respectively for the reasons recorded in the order of the Sessions Court.

5. The learned counsel for the applicant submits that the applicant is already in custody for more than nine months. Investigation is already complete. Charge-sheet has already been filed. The learned APP opposed this application, however, could not take his submission to the logical end.

6. In the above view of the matter,I am inclined to grant bail to the present applicant on following terms and conditions.

a] the applicant-accused Chandrakant Dhondiba Tikene be released on bail in C.R. No. 26 of 2005 the sum of Rs. 25,000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.

b] the applicant shall report Police Station,Economic Offences Wing, Crime Branch, CID, Mumbai once in a week i.e. on Friday between 3.00 to 5.00 p.m. till conclusion of the trial.

c] the applicant shall not pressurise prosecution witnesses and that he shall co-operate the Investigating agency.

d] The applicant shall co-operate with the learned Trial Judge for expeditious disposal of the case. Any attempt by the applicant to delay the trial may be a ground for cancellation of bail.

e] The order of bail will be given effect only after the applicant furnish to the Trial Court the details about his place of residence and address where he propose to stay after he is enlarged on bail.

f] Any observation made in this order shall not be construed as any finding or any expression of opinion on the merits of the case at the time of trial.

7. The application is allowed in the above terms.

(V.C. DAGA,J.)